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# Press Release

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## **Mackinac Island Community Foundation establishes Island Essential Needs Fund to address impact of COVID-19.**

In response to the impact of the novel coronavirus in the Straits region, the Mackinac Island Community Foundation has established a new fund to mobilize individual giving and address emerging critical needs of the Mackinac Island community. The Island Essential Needs Fund directs foundation resources to Island residents who have difficulty meeting basic needs during this time, especially those with serious illness or who have been adversely impacted by the Executive Order suspending all non-essential activities. In addition to addressing immediate individual needs, the new fund also provides support to vital Island organizations and services such as the Mackinac Island Medical Center and Meals on Snowmobiles.

“As our community faces the coronavirus outbreak, we recognize that the impact on our community systems including health care, education and business is truly unprecedented. We are grateful for the organizations and volunteers facing this uncertainty and taking action to make sure the most vulnerable among us are cared for,” explained Stephanie McGreevy, Executive Director of Mackinac Island Community Foundation.

The application for Island organizations seeking essential needs assistance is available on the Mackinac Island Community Foundation website at [micf.org](http://micf.org).

For more information regarding the MICF Island Essential Needs Fund and donating, please visit [micf.org](http://micf.org).

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*Mackinac Island Community Foundation, based on Mackinac Island, is committed to making a difference in the lives of individuals, families and organizations on Mackinac Island. Grants are provided to non-profit organizations primarily on Mackinac Island and Mackinac County for projects to enhance child development, protect natural resources, promote the arts, and build community on Mackinac Island. We invite you to learn more about the Foundation and its history by visiting our website [www.micf.org](http://www.micf.org)*